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Croton water is in bad odor just now, despite the late reassuring reports as to its purity.

Who can imagine a Winter of discontent in the face of the glorious Summer New York is having these days?

When Chicago breaks out into Chicago itself disaster is sure to follow, as it did in yesterday's awful windstorm.

It is the people who must wait if the "L" road magnates' demand for "more time" is granted. Don't give them a day.

Maybe the Paris police wouldn't have stopped that fancy ball of the students if they had foreseen the dizzy dance the act would lead the city into.

No finer crew across upper New York Bay was ever shot off than that which the obstructions off Battery Park saw wall hid from the people on shore yesterday.

If the Mayor and Aldermen of Brooklyn continue in a course opposite to that of justice and popular rights the record of head-on collisions will some fine day be broken in the city across the bridge.

Bismarck's talk to the Lippe-Detmold accords yesterday on the "National idea" and the dangers of bureaucratic stifling, it showed the ex-Chancellor still a keen-eyed and sharp-tongued observer of German affairs.

The health at Hamburg remains generally good, though the weather is intensely hot. This is excellent news, but must not throw America off its guard against such treacherous foes as cholera germs have often proved themselves.

New York's postal service can be improved by improving the conditions under which it is rendered. Government liberality in the way of better salaries and more ample appropriations will be well repaid at this most important mail centre.

The Christian Endeavor delegates at Montreal had an experience with that howling mob of hoodlums, on Saturday and Sunday nights which they will not soon forget. And but for the gallantry of the volunteer soldiers, who came out in citizens' dress, but with military bearing, to see the Endeavorers

safely away from the meeting place, there would have been infinitely worse things than insults to record. However, the delegates stood the strain bravely, and behaved in the face of rough foes as become professors "Soldiers of the Cross."

NOW IS THE TIME.

The weekly report of the death rate in the city made to the Board of Health last Saturday shows an increase over the preceding week of more than 30 per cent. This is attributed to the warm, muggy weather, which more particularly affects the tenement-house districts and is most fatal among children under five years of age. The death rate of little ones under that age make a list over 50 per cent. of the entire mortality.

Yet we had what people call exceptionally fine weather last week. Unfortunately the breezes by which the heat was tempered do not reach the tenement-house districts, where front and rear buildings hustle each other, and where the streets are narrow and the houses high. From hence, what little breeze may be felt elsewhere is excluded, while the oppressive, sickening humidity finds its way into every nook and corner.

There is no cause for alarm. The city is unusually healthy, thanks to the improved purity of the water supply and the efficient action of the health authorities. The death rate last week is still 15 per cent. under the average rate for the past five years.

But the little ones suffer. They can get no change and no relief from the close, oppressive air. They are neglected, not from lack of affection, but from the necessity of circumstances. They are attacked by diarrhoeal complaints and their lives quickly fade out. The deaths last week were more than double those of the preceding week.

At such a time as this the flailing doctors of the Sick Babies' Fund are in the fulness of their usefulness. Their visits are blessings to the poor little sufferers, and the aid they bring matches many a child from the grasp of death. At such a time as this, a donation to the Fund is doubly valuable for it does the greatest good.

At such a time as this, every benevolent heart should respond to the call of a charity which brings immediate relief to the most pitiable class of sufferers. The parents can do nothing but to look on and see them die.

Help the Sick Babies' Fund now, while death is fighting for its little victims, and take the credit of saving a human life.

WHY THEY WANT DELAY.

The request of the Manhattan Elevated Railroad Company to be allowed sixty days longer to consider the proposition of the Rapid Transit Commission simply means that Mr. Gould's corporation desires to drive off final action for two months, in the hope that something may turn up within that time to enable it to "beat" the city out of a little more money. If Commissioner Starin could be induced to resign, there is even hope for the acceptance of Russell Sage's insolent suggestion that the people ought to be grateful to the Manhattan Company for extending its lines, and give it the new franchises free of cost.

The Gould corporation does not need an instant's time for consideration. If there was no hope for better terms the proposition of the Commission would be instantly accepted and the valuable franchises and privileges secured.

Mr. Starin should put his foot down firmly against any further delay or postponement. He would do a good public act if he would make any further hesitation on the part of the railroad people a cause for the withdrawal of the Commission's proposition, and for the construction of independent Elevated railroad.

The Rapid Transit Commission meets next Wednesday. Mr. Starin should insist on the peremptory refusal of the Railroad Company's unreasonable request for delay.

A BUSY BODY.

Mayor Boody is a busy man. When serious charges of misconduct were made against the health officers of the city, involving the safety of the public health, the Mayor was too busy to undertake an investigation. On Saturday he was too busy to make his expected application to Judge Moore for an order for the publication of the evidence before the Grand Jury on which he was presented and would have been indicted but for the interference of the District Attorney.

The application will no doubt be made today. As the object is to delay, however, by giving evidence before the present Grand Jury, it will probably be granted. Meanwhile, the members of the late Grand Jury do not feel any indisposition to let all the facts be given to the public. The foreman declares that he would like the minutes of the proceedings to be laid before the people.

It is the plain duty of the present Grand Jury to push the case against Mayor Boody and the "Cold Trustees," and bring them to answer for alleged malfeasance in office. If the June Grand Jury had acted wisely it would have ascertained if an indictment could be sustained against the official who obstructed the jury in the discharge of its duties, or would at least have included in its presentment a censure of the course pursued by the Assistant District Attorney as being calculated to interfere with the punishment of official misconduct.

JUSTICE FOR THE POST-OFFICE.

The poorest paid service rendered to the Federal Government, and at the same time the one which especially demands fidelity and honesty is that in the Post Office Department.

Important in the country, it is shamefully underpaid and neglected. The salaries from the Postmaster down, are disgracefully insufficient, considering the intelligence and executive ability demanded for a proper discharge of the

duties and the responsibility imposed on all the employees, down to the letter-carriers. The amount allowed for the care and maintenance of the Post-Office Building is notoriously insufficient.

Postmaster-General Bissell is a man of affairs and a liberal, practical, common-sense individual, with a disposition to do what is right, and firmness to carry out his views. He should insist on a sufficient allowance to keep the building in this city in decent condition, and should recommend a general increase of compensation for Post-Office employees. They are all underpaid, and in this instance parsimony is not economy.

PRESIDENTIAL CRIBBAGE.

Secretary Lamont, who is at Gray Gables with Mr. Cleveland, assures a writer that the accounts of the President's "serious illness" are simply ridiculous. The attack of gout in his knee and toe is by no means severe. It obliges him to use a cane and to wear a soft slipper and has prevented him from fishing for a few days. But the latter deprivation is not much, as it is early for the bluefish to bite, and the President consoles himself for the loss of his fishing rod by playing cribbage on the Gray Gables piazza.

Now this is by no means a waste of time. Cribbage is a game that may be made useful in suggestions for the more important game of Presidential policy. The player will learn the importance of scoring every point that can be made. He will grow accustomed to studying closely every card in his hand and being careful to "discard" the worst and most unpromising of the lot, so as to prevent those who are opposed to him from making a big "crib." When he finds a knave among his cards he will not fail to give one for his knob, and to take care that it is an effective one.

By all means let President Cleveland continue to amuse himself with the game of cribbage. It will teach him to be careful to put the right peg in any official hole that has to be filled. When a knave turns up, instead of taking two for his heels, the President, if wise, will make him take to his heels as quickly as possible. If he plays fairly and does not hesitate to show honest cards, either in cribbage or policy, he will win the game, and will gain credit as a square player.

AND THEN?

Ex-President Benjamin Harrison is at Cape May. He is enjoying himself in the Cape May surf, while his successor is rejoicing at the arrival of the bluefish in Buzzard's Bay.

In some respects the "ex" has the advantage of the actual President. When he gets through at the seashore, Mr. Harrison will return to Indianapolis free from all care for the present, while Mr. Cleveland will go back to Washington to be beset by office-seekers, whom he has not yet satisfied, and to plunge into the whirl of an extra session of Congress. Moreover, Mr. Cleveland will be fretted and worried by the clamor of the people's representatives may not do as well as Mr. Harrison's chuckle over the embarrassments his party has created for a Democratic Administration. Nero will fiddle while Rome is burning.

Mr. Harrison tells the reporters that he will remain at Cape May Point during July and August; that he will return to Indianapolis at the end of August; that he will entertain the Grand Army during its reunion in September; that he will afterwards go to Stanford University and deliver some law lectures.

And then? That is as far into the future as I have looked and arranged things," says Mr. Harrison. Yet it is well understood that the ex-President has extended his vision as far as 1916. Whether he will be enabled to "arrange things" as he desires is a problem that cannot be solved until Platt, Clarkson & Co. furnish the key. At present it does not look as if they would be any more anxious to nominate him in 1916 than they were in 1912, and as Harrison out of the Presidency may not be able to control the 31st Southern votes by which Harrison in the Presidency secured his renomination last year the chance of "arranging things" in 1916 as Mr. Harrison desires may not be as promising as he hopes.

In other days frequent remark has been passed in Brooklyn on the subject of municipal misrule in New York. Just at present the Brooklyn critics of city government have their minds well employed on the matter of official irresponsibility at home. Public and political discontent is rife in the town of many churches. It is not pleasant so. But the heaven that works through the present conditions will aid in the final bringing about of that "Greater New York" in which an immense body of united people will inaugurate and maintain real rule for the people.

Perhaps it would reduce the number of Brooklyn Bridge jumpers to throw the big structure open to leapers of all classes, free of interference. As it is, there are people who will jump just to show that they can't be prevented.

Something is really needed at this time to take the taste of Croton water out of the mouth. What's the matter with the drink, Messrs. Health Commissioners?

It is a fortunate thing for many New York toilers that so much delightful sea coast is so close at hand.

Lack of Education.

(From Judge.)
Woman—What is that man in the street calling out?
Girl—I don't know whether it's charcoal or straw berries.

It is Mrs. Price's intention to bring the Sick Babies' Fund to a near a state of perfection as is possible, and she has received the hearty encouragement and promise of support from such prominent citizens as J. R. Feltz, Col. Lawrence, Mr. Fuller, Alderman Saul, Horatio Harris, and Editors O. P. H. McVey, and Edward Mason of the Harlem local papers. In the Fall these gentlemen are to arrange for Board Management, to further the interests of this

\$2,000 NOT FAR OFF.

The Sick Babies' Fund Makes a Big Jump To-Day.

A Big Benefit in Harlem To-Morrow Evening.

Children Are Working Enthusiastically for the Fund.

All letters containing money for the Sick Babies' Fund should be addressed to "Caretaker of Sick Babies' Fund, 132 West Thirty-fourth street."

Donations of clothing, &c., should be sent to Mrs. Roberts, 132 West Thirty-fourth street.

THE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Previously acknowledged..... \$1,056.46
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Post Street (Brooklyn) Fair..... 8.47
Fair, 240 East 58th st..... 6.10
Grand 902 First avenue..... 6.02
Joe. S. Friedman..... 5.00
John Lathrop, East 11th st..... 5.00
Rebs and Adeline Ettinger..... 4.75
Mrs. S. Friedman..... 2.00
Merrill of Salska K..... 1.00
Friends in Bloomfield, N. J..... .25
Louis May Day, Peekskill, N. Y..... .10

If every philanthropist displayed the enthusiasm and zeal that Mrs. M. Price, organist of the Hamilton Grange Reformed Church, does in her efforts to build up the Sick Babies' Fund it would soon be an easy matter to run the fund up to a handsome five-figured amount.

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Choral Union for children exclusively, and Mrs. Price is worthy of every helping hand in her laudable enterprise. She gives her time and energy freely in sweet charity's aid, and her desire to build up the Sick Babies' Fund is certainly one worthy of commendation by every person who can at all appreciate the world of good accomplished by the fund in a direction where violent and comfort are absolute strangers.

It will cost but a few cents to be entertained at the Columbus Theatre, a surely that is indeed but a mite, contributed for the double purpose of aiding in a noble cause and enjoying an evening of rare pleasure.

FREE DOCTORS' STORIES.

I. A child eleven months old, living on West street, near the Battery, has, during the past week, had reason to thank "The Evening World" for having saved it from an untimely end.

Its parents—respectable people, though quite poor—having in preceding Summer had their older children by summer diarrhoea, awaited the onset of this Summer's hot weather with much disquiet. Their alarm was by no means unfounded, in the early part of last week this, their third and only child, was attacked by violent diarrhoea. Thirty-six hours of pain reduced this previously healthy baby to a mere disquid. The parents, in a panic, had stopped the child was a little stronger.

Several days have since passed and the little one is convalescent, and may safely be said to be out of danger.

A case was seen by me to-day in a wretched old rear tenement that was truly pitiable.

A widow and three small, sick children were found in a practically unfurnished little room, without anything to eat. The mother, a poor, old woman, had just moved in and that she had to give all the money she had—\$5—to pay the rent for the next month.

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HOUSE AND HOME

Jackets and Gowns.
No. 1. Dark blue cloth gown, trimmed with bands of black satin, bordered with a narrow lace edging.
No. 2. A dark green cloth costume trimmed with black mohair braid in two widths. A pale silk blue blouse.



No. 3. A violet cloth jacket, with velvet cape and waistband of the same color.
No. 4. A checked tweed costume, with red waistcoat and white silk skirt. The jacket's bodice turns back with revers.

Catchy Little Pins.
The stick-pin caprice has been given a push forward by the introduction of some especially catchy designs. Gowning character will be as fully expressed in the form of rags and pins as in any other article of attire.

Knobs of rope carried out in enamel may punctuate the shirt front of the yachting suit; the girl who fishes will adopt hideously unique specimens of eels, crabs, sea spiders, &c.; devotees to sports and sport may exhibit pretty fancies in the form of racquets and mallets, a croquet in pairs with accompanying balls; while full dress and evening stick-pin favours reveal Cupids, love knots, hearts, love darts and blossoms in gold and silver with jewel studding.

Breaded Cheese.
Dip in egg and crumbs and fry in deep lard three minutes.

A Wedding Note.
At a recent wedding the eight bridesmaids wore dresses of white crepe, made a lovely picture about the altar, and inserted in the bodice velvet forming the collars and bodice belts, with deep frills of lace over the shoulders and big hats trimmed with lace and purple panes. They carried bouquets of purple panes and double white carnations, and wore the groom's gift of enamel and diamond pansy brooches. At another fashionable wedding the bridesmaids, ten in number, made a lovely picture about the altar, and inserted in the bodice velvet forming the collars and bodice belts, with deep frills of lace over the shoulders and big hats trimmed with lace and purple panes. They carried bouquets of purple panes and double white carnations, and wore the groom's gift of enamel and diamond pansy brooches. At another fashionable wedding the bridesmaids, ten in number, made a lovely picture about the altar, and inserted in the bodice velvet forming the collars and bodice belts, with deep frills of lace over the shoulders and big hats trimmed with lace and purple panes. They carried bouquets of purple panes and double white carnations, and wore the groom's gift of enamel and diamond pansy brooches.

New Sailors.
White kid and suede sailor hats are new this season, but straw takes the lead, with quills for trimming, while a more fancy sailor hat has roses around the crown and under the brim.

Panna Rolls.
One pound of flour, three-quarters of an ounce of yeast, one pint lukewarm milk, a little salt, dessertspoonful sugar; dissolve the yeast in the milk, stir in the flour, and put it to rise for one hour in a warm place. After this has been rising for one hour, add the sugar and salt, and knead them altogether for twenty minutes, or until it is a stiff dough, then cut into strips about four inches long and make into shapes. Bake in a hot oven for half an hour.

A Recent Bride's Bouquet.
At a recent fashionable wedding the bride's bouquet was made of Marechal Niel roses, tied around the stems with eight wide ribbons which reached to the bottom of her gown. Into these at intervals were tied rosebuds, the whole forming a long fringe falling from the flowers in her hands.

Cherry Pie.
Line a plate with a good crust, put in a layer of cherries (the tart ones preferred), sprinkle with sugar, dust with just a trifle of cornstarch; cover and bake in a moderate oven. Eat cold, with sugar sifted over the top.

Any juicy fruit pie should have a strip of clean cloth—wet in cold water—pressed down around the edge, just before putting in the oven, to prevent the juice from running over.</